



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

FIRE DEPARTMENT

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March 23, 2010

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 W. Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

2010 BRUSH CLEARANCE REFEREE'S HEARING REPORT

As authorized by the Los Angeles County Fire Code and approved by your Board on January 19, 2010, public hearings were conducted by the Assistant Chief, Brush Clearance Section, County of Los Angeles Fire Department, acting as Referee, to receive protests against the County of Los Angeles Fire Department's 2010 order to abate hazardous brush, dry grass, weeds, combustible growth or flammable vegetation, to include native and ornamental vegetation, on improved parcels in Los Angeles County. As stated in the legal notice sent to each owner of record, the hearings were held at 9:30 A.M., in the offices of the Department of Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures, at 12300 Lower Azusa Road, Arcadia, California, on February 24, 2010; and at 335 A East Avenue K-6, Lancaster, California, on February 25, 2010.

Eleven improved property owners attended the public hearings. During the hearings the property owners received individual consultation from Fire Department personnel. Appropriate action was taken as necessary to address their inquiries. We are not aware of any individual that wishes to present objections to your Board at this time.

SERVING THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND THE CITIES OF:

AGOURA HILLS
ARTESIA
AZUSA
BALDWIN PARK
BELL
BELL GARDENS
BELLFLOWER
BRADBURY

CALABASAS
CARSON
CERRITOS
CLAREMONT
COMMERCE
COVINA
CUDAHY

DIAMOND BAR
DUARTE
EL MONTE
GARDENA
GLENORA
HAWAIIAN GARDENS
HAWTHORNE

HIDDEN HILLS
HUNTINGTON PARK
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INGLEWOOD
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LYNWOOD

MALIBU
MAYWOOD
NORWALK
PALMDALE
PALOS VERDES ESTATES
PARAMOUNT
PICO RIVERA

POMONA
RANCHO PALOS VERDES
ROLLING HILLS
ROLLING HILLS ESTATES
ROSEMEAD
SAN DIMAS
SANTA CLARITA

SIGNAL HILL
SOUTH EL MONTE
SOUTH GATE
TEMPLE CITY
WALNUT
WEST HOLLYWOOD
WESTLAKE VILLAGE
WHITTIER

IT IS THEREFORE RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Accept this hearing report.
2. Order the County of Los Angeles Fire Department to enforce the removal of hazardous brush, dry grass, weeds, combustible growth or flammable vegetation, to include native and ornamental vegetation, on improved parcels in Los Angeles County.

Very truly yours,

 PMF

P. MICHAEL FREEMAN

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Attachment

c: Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures

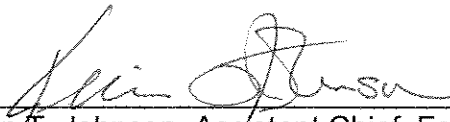
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KEVIN T. JOHNSON, ASSISTANT CHIEF, FORESTRY, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT, being duly sworn says: That on or before the 1st of February, 2010, he mailed, or caused to be mailed, 40,072 "Annual Brush Clearance Notices" to the owners of each of the properties described in the Declaration List, as their names and residential addresses and a description of the property in question appear from the last equalized assessment roll, or as known to the clerk, which notices request owners to destroy hazardous brush, dry grass, weeds, combustible growth or flammable vegetation, to include native and ornamental vegetation, and set the 24th and 25th day of February, 2010, as the dates upon which owners of said property may attend a hearing of the Brush Clearance Referee, when their objections will be heard and given due consideration. Annexed is a true and correct copy of such notice.

I have personal knowledge of the foregoing, and if called upon could competently testify thereto.


Affidavit of Mailing: "Annual Brush Clearance Notices"
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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.


Kevin T. Johnson, Assistant Chief, Forestry

WITNESSED BY:

This 1st day of March, 2010.


Jason Li, Intermediate Typist Clerk